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**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicant by his attorney, petitions for a two-month extension of time to file a response to an official action dated March 24, 2000.

Submitted herewith is our check in the amount of \$380.00 to cover the patent application processing fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2). Any additional required fee may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 13-2855. Any overpayment should be refunded to the undersigned attorney's law firm at the address indicated below.

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